# **FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK**

### Giant Forest Sequoia Grove

6400' (1950m) elevation. This sequoia grove is the home of the world's biggest trees. It offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking trails. For nearby picnic areas see page 3 and the map on page 12. See highlights on page 6 and traffic-delay information on page 12.

• Giant Forest Museum (NPS): Daily 9am-5pm through 10/24, then 9am-4:30pm. Exhibits about the Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 1-559-565-4480. No payphone; closest are at Lodgepole & Wolverton (don't rely on cell phones).

### **Crystal Cave**

A major park highlight! Open through 10/24. Page 3 has details.

### Lodgepole Village

6700' (2040 m) elevation. A few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. For nearby picnic areas see page 3 & the map on page 12.

#### **INFORMATION (NPS)**

• Visitor Center: Daily 8am-4:30pm through 10/24, if weather permits, then closed. *Bears of the Sierra* movie; exhibits on geology & forest life; books; maps; first aid. Crystal Cave tickets sold 8am-4pm through 10/24. Pay phone. 1-559-565-4436. Wilderness permits, required for overnight trips, issued through 9/25, then self-register outside to the left of the front door of the visitor center. Details on page 4. 1-559-565-3766.

#### FOOD & SHOPS - Last day of operation this year: 10/17

- Market & Gift Shop (DNCPR): Daily 9am-6pm through 9/26, then 10am-4:30pm through 10/17. Groceries, pre-made sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, ice cream, souvenirs.
- Watchtower Deli (DNCPR): Closed for the season.
- Snack Bar (DNCPR): Weekends only 9am-6pm. Closed starting 9/27
- Laundry (DNCPR): Same hours as Market. Last load in 1 hour before closing. Closed starting 10/17.
- Showers (DNCPR): Daily 9am-5:30pm through 9/26, then 9am-4pm. Closed starting 10/17.

#### **OTHER SERVICES**

- Post Office: Weekdays 8am-1pm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678.
   Lobby open 24 hours. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.
- Lodgepole Campground (NPS): Open all year. See details on page 11.
- Pay Telephones: Outside visitor center & market (cell-phone signals are usually poor).

#### Foothills Area

1300-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. Oaks, chaparral, & river canyons; hot summers & snow-free winters; the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is at Ash Mountain.

- Visitor Center (NPS): Daily 8am-4:30pm. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid. Local wilderness permits; self-issued outside visitor center starting 9/26. Crystal Cave tickets sold *only* here and at Lodgepole Visitor Center, through 10/24. 1-559-565-3135.
- Camping (NPS): At Potwisha. Details on page 11.
- Pay Telephones (cell phone signals are usually poor): Foothills Visitor Center near front door; Potwisha Campground, Hospital Rock Picnic Area (on restroom wall).

### Mineral King Area

#### Road to this area closes at noon on November 1.

7800' (2380 m) elevation. A subalpine valley at the end of a steep, narrow, twisting road. No RVs, buses, or trailers, please. No electricity or gasoline.

- Ranger Station (NPS): Closed for the season starting 9/26, then self-issue wilderness permits outside. Books, maps, first aid. 1-559-565-3768.
- Pay Telephones: Cold Springs Campground, Sawtooth parking area, Silver City Resort. Cell phone signals are extremely poor.
- Silver City Mountain Resort: Last night 10/17. Cabins, chalets, showers. Small store: gifts, limited supplies, ice (not always), no gasoline, no fishing licenses. Restaurant: Dessert and drinks only 8am-5pm. 1-559-561-3223; www.silvercityresort.com. On private land.
- Camping (NPS): Through 10/31. No RVs or trailers. See page 11.

### Wuksachi Lodge & Dining

7200' (2160 m) elevation. DNCPR: Year-round lodging & food service in Sequoia 4 miles (6.4 km) north of Sherman Tree.

Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts (DNCPR) and the National Park Foundation make it easy for Wuksachi Lodge guests to contribute to these parks. Ask about the Guest Donation Program when you check in!

- Dining Room: Daily 7:30am-9:30pm, 11:30am-2:30pm, 5-8:30pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. 1-559-565-4070. Lounge 5-8:30pm.
- Gift Shop: Daily 8am-8pm. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing.
- Wuksachi Lodge: See page 10 for details. Front desk 24 hours.
- Pay Telephones: At main lodge. Cell-phone signals are poor.

## FREE NATURE PROGRAMS

Join us! Non-campers are welcome at any of the programs led by rangers in campgrounds. Check bulletin boards and visitor centers for updated times, topics, and meeting locations.

#### IN THE FOOTHILLS

Park rangers may offer walks and talks on weekends.

Check local bulletin boards and visitor centers for details.

#### IN GIANT FOREST & LODGEPOLE

- Sherman Tree Talk: Daily 10:30am until late October.
- Realm of Giants Walk: Daily 2pm until late October.
- Moro Vistas Talk: Daily 11am atop Moro Rock until late September.
- Snowshoe walks begin when there is enough snow. Stay tuned!

